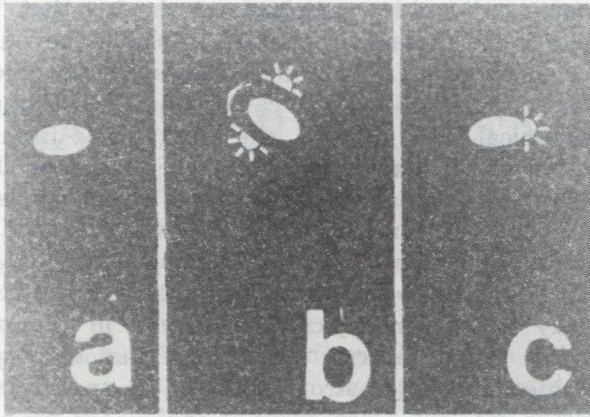


UFO SEEN OVER YUGOSLAVIA



Yugoslavian object — See Column 1

1897 Landing— Here We Go Again!

TEXAS - April 17, 1897 - Aurora - According to an article by S. E. Hayden in Dallas and Ft. Worth newspapers on April 18, 1897, a cigar-shaped spaceship crashed into a windmill in Aurora, Texas. Hayden reported that the witnesses who ventured onto the scene saw a "little man" who appeared to be the lone occupant of the craft.

"The town is full of people today who are viewing the wreck and gathering specimens of strange metal from the debris. The pilot's funeral will take place tomorrow," wrote Hayden.

Although there are many factual holes in the story, rumor and tradition have kept the spaceman tale alive for many years. Was it just a hoax resulting from a writer's desperate bid to revive his dying town, or did it actually happen? Since nobody seems able to pinpoint the site of the "spaceman's" grave, the truth may remain a mystery for a long time.

(Editor's note: This tale is "dug up" regularly and fed to the media. The last time, in the early 1970's, two UFO groups, one based in Texas and the other in Oklahoma, nearly got into a public hair-pulling match over who should get public credit (and the publicity) for the story. Ultimately, after a silly go-round, the people of Aurora prevailed and the rumor died for the umpteenth time. But not before local citizens threatened to go to court to prevent wild-eyed UFO buffs from digging up their graveyard in search of "alien remains.")

by Milos Krmelj

APRO Representative, Yugoslavia

Amateur astronomers who spotted an unusual light in the sky in the evening of October 3, 1983, believe that it was what we call a UFO.

During the evening hours of October 3, 1983, many inhabitants of Split, Kaštela bay and Šolta island in Yugoslavia had the opportunity to observe unusual phenomena in the sky twice. Among them, there were also nine young members of a society of amateur astronomers from Split who happened to be in the municipal astronomical observatory at the time. Tonči Osibov and Ivica Vučemilo were observing the constellation Fox, looking for possible meteors through a telescope with a magnification of 200.

It was a few minutes past 8:00 p.m. when a big bright "star" appeared in the field of view of the telescope. First they thought that it was a huge meteor, but the direction and speed of the object pointed to the possibility that it could be an artificial satellite. They could see it with the naked eye over the Šolta Island, high above the sea. Soon they realized that it was not a satellite, for the object had a rather unusual oval and oblong shape, and emanated a twinkling blue-white light which was occasionally very bright. The two young astronomers took turns observing through the telescope this "miracle in the sky" until they came to the conclusion that perhaps they were witnessing a phenomenon that we popularly call a "flying saucer".

They ran to the fence on the terrace and started calling their colleagues who were one floor below them. Every one of them ran to the terrace. "Look, a flying saucer!" said Tonči and Ivica. "What are you talking about?," replied Goran Ergović who was the first to arrive at the terrace. But as soon as he looked in the direction that his fellows were pointing, he saw with his own eyes that something was really flying above Split channel towards Kozjak.

"What could it be?" wondered some of them. "A satellite," replied some of the more experienced astronomers among them. "A satellite cannot possibly generate such a bright light," said Goran Ergović, "and it's still less possible that it can change at will the intensity of the light." "It might have been a plane."

They could have kept on watching and guessing what the unknown object might have represented as was done by many inhabitants of Split, Kaštela and

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Yugoslavia

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Šolta Island, but they decided to observe the unknown flying object most carefully. Unlike the others, they had access to various optical instruments, among them a fairly powerful telescope. So they went to the upper terrace where the dome of the observatory with all the necessary instruments is situated. It was exactly ten minutes past 8:00 p.m. when they started to carefully observe the unusual phenomenon in the sky.

The unknown flying object had not exhibited any change of height or speed in the next four minutes, but it kept on changing the intensity of its blue-white light. It flew over the island Čiovo, the bay of Kaštela and the peaks of Kozjak. It seemed as if it would disappear any moment behind the peaks of Marjan. But... "It stopped!" shouted Goran Ergović who followed it through a telescope.

In the next moment he spotted another, smaller object that emanated a strong orange light. The new body began to circle slowly around the front part of the primary UFO and therefore it was not possible to observe it all the time. This circling prevented the observers from telling exactly whether there was only one or perhaps more smaller bodies. It lasted for about three minutes. Then the orange-colored object seemed to fuse with the blue-white one that turned a bit to the right at that time, grew more and more red and headed toward the north at a fairly high speed. It

disappeared behind the forests of Marjan in three minutes. Impressed by what they had seen, the nine amateur astronomers were a little more convinced that the spotted object was most probably a "flying saucer". All their observations corresponded to descriptions of UFO such as they had often seen published in newspapers and literature. Their observation diary reads that they observed "unusual phenomenon" and lays emphasis on the fact that "any similarity to airplanes or satellites should be out of any consideration". They also calculated the object's course across the sky which came to be 120°. From the astronomical point of view, the object came from the direction of the constellation of the Fox, passed Lyre and Dragon, came under the center of the constellation trapezoid "the Great Bear" and then headed on towards the north. "In the same evening," claims Goran Ergović, "when I was going home, I spotted in the sky a smaller object that moved in the same direction. It was exactly one minute past 10:00 p.m. The object emanated strong light of an orange color. Together with some passersby, I observed it for a full nine minutes.

Observations of astronomers from Split were soon published in certain newspapers, yet some of them put down that it had not been "flying saucers" which were spotted. According to these newspapers, it was a natural phenomenon that results from the change of air pressure. Thus are formed electrical loads in the shape of a ball and of secondary light which enables them to change their shape, size and direction. They also published that the astronomers themselves stated that they spotted only atmospherics. Such false statements greatly irritated the astronomers from Split who claim that none of them has ever given such or a similar statement.

"How is it possible that somebody talks about something that he just has not seen at all," said Goran Ergović. "Our observations and analysis exclude all possibilities that the phenomenon could have resulted from discharging electricity in the atmosphere because meteorological circumstances at that time were enormous and it emanated a twinkling light of white-blue color while electric loads are of red color and essentially of smaller dimensions."

Amateur astronomers from Split have made up their minds to examine in detail what they experienced and to publish their observations in a special report. At this point they also expect some help from experts in different fields of work and believe that joint efforts could result in finding out the identity of the object which flew over the Adriatic sea on the third of October, 1983.

"In past days," says Goran Ergović, "we succeeded in defining the unknown object's precise flying course according to the position of stars in the sky which we drew into the star map of the northern sky. Besides that, in the moment of flying between cape Marjan

and Island Čiovo, the unknown object moved according to our calculations at a speed of 257 kilometers per hour, its height being at that time 60.641 meters. On the basis of these particulars and some other comparisons we are now trying to calculate at least approximate dimensions of the unknown object".

Like real enthusiasts, the amateur astronomers from Split are desirous of clearing up this matter. Of course, some people reproach them that they are losing their precious time when they occupy themselves with such "foolish things". But nine young men, Goran Ergović and his brother Zoran, Tonči Osibov, Ivica Vučemilo, Dragam Nakir, Dragan Šolić, Darco Selaković, Ante Denić and Ivan Babić are persistent enough to continue their investigations.

Source: *Weekly Ilustovana Politika*, October 18, 1983.

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Dr. Amleto Pezzati

New Consultant

We extend a warm welcome to Dr. Amleto Pezzati, who has agreed to act as special scientific consultant for APRO and has been authorized to establish an Italian UFO study center affiliated with APRO. Dr. Pezzati has completed a study which correlates Geomagnetic fields with UFO sightings. We look forward to a pleasant and productive association.

Dr. Pezzati is Doctor of Economy and Finance, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Astronomy, Director of the Astronomical Observatory of Monreale and Director of C. U. N. (Centro Ufologico Nazionale) Palermo, Italy.

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Please Read Notices on Bulletin Cover!

AUTHENTIC UFO PHOTOGRAPHS Shot down by a computer...

by C. W. Fitch

The objective of this monograph is to set the record straight on an incident that occurred in Mart, Texas on February 27, 1972 which, in the writer's opinion, has never received the proper recognition it was due as an authentic UFO sighting.

The situation developed as a result of one of the two photos that were taken at the time of the sighting being later misidentified by GSW's (Ground Saucer Watch) "computer". This action, figuratively speaking, "shot it down".

At the time the photos were taken they were acclaimed as authentic evidence of the reality and existence of UFOs. Since then this pair of exceptionally revealing photos have seemingly been relegated to the discard as faked photos and almost forgotten.

After becoming better acquainted with this case over a period of time and evaluating the facts, the writer is convinced that this sighting is deserving of a much better fate. It is the writer's opinion that one of these photos, the second, is the most revealing picture ever taken of a UFO.

For the reader's benefit we will review the facts: On Sunday morning, February 27, 1972, at approximately 8:30 Leslie V. Roll, a resident of Mart, Texas, walked into his front yard. The day was clear with only about 15% cloud coverage, and temperature 52° F.

He glanced skyward and saw an object approaching from the east, headed in a westerly direction. "At first (I said) I thought it was an airplane, but when it started zig-zagging across the sky I knew it wasn't, and I ran back inside to grab my Polaroid camera".

Mr. Roll succeeded in taking two 60-second color photos before the object changed direction and sped away, quickly disappearing into the northern sky. He described the UFO as having a metallic appearing silver-colored bottom and a transparent dome on top and making no sound.

After showing the photos to several persons, later that day Roll took them to the Waco News Tribune which published them on page one the next day.

As word got around, Roll was swamped with phone calls and curious visitors. One of them identified himself as an FBI agent. During their conversation he told Roll that the photos he had taken were two of the best UFO photos the agent had ever seen.

Of the two photos, the second, and closer one, was the most revealing of the craft's details.

First on the scene to investigate the sighting was Tommy Blann, Texas representative of the Interna-

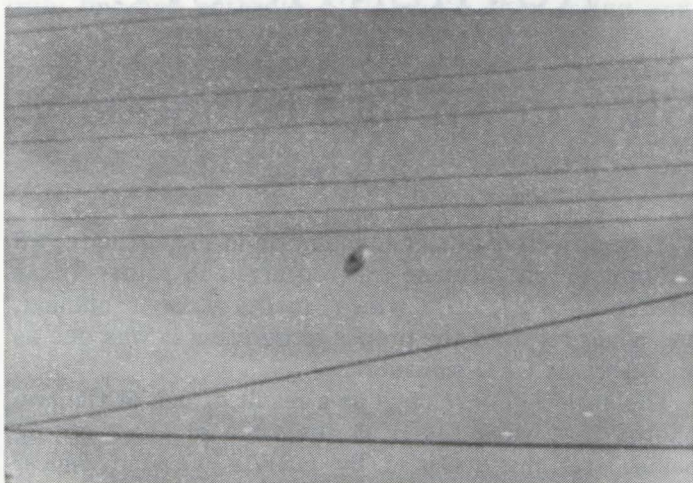


Photo number 1

tional UFO Bureau (now defunct) of Oklahoma City, of which Hayden Hewes was the Contributing Editor. The Bureau issued a press release based on Blann's report, which provided the basis for an article by Bob Bundy, in the National Tattler's April, 23, 1972 issue.

The article quoted Blann as stating: "Judging from the known cloud cover and light density in relation to the object, I would say the object was under 1000 feet high, probably 700 to 800 feet. This would make the object 50 to 60 feet in diameter (as opposed to the "computerized analysis" of a disc-shaped object, small and suspended close to the camera), and about 17 to 20 feet high. The rim extension is about three feet and the black circular portion underneath is about 25 feet in diameter".

The Bureau added that further investigation revealed there was a local power failure about 20 minutes after the object was sighted. On the east side of town Mrs. Haskel Fife, wife of the Chief of Police, said the power was off in the neighborhood for about 15 minutes. This fact was confirmed by a librarian named Mrs. Smith who reported a power failure in her church at approximately 8:50 a.m.

On completion of his on-the-spot investigation, Blann expressed his opinion that he was satisfied no trickery was involved, and that the photos were authentic.

Les Roll commented, "I didn't believe in flying saucers before, but I've certainly got something to think about now".

The writer learned of this sighting and became interested soon after it had occurred. A phone contact with Mr. Roll was the beginning of a long acquaintance which ripened into friendship. Leslie V. Roll, 'Les' to his friends and associates, operates Roll's Building Supply, dealing in lumber, hardware and plumbing material. There is no question in the writer's

mind as to his integrity.

Later in 1972 the magazine "Canadian UFO Report", Vol. 2, No. 4, whole no. 12, carries a good report of this sighting and a reproduction of Roll's second photo on the cover with the caption "This May Be The Best UFO Photo Ever Taken".

The photocopy and an account of the incident was furnished the magazine by the International UFO Bureau of Oklahoma City of which CUFOR's contributing editor was a director.

His Bureau did not have a copy of the first photo taken for release but they had an analysis report on both of the Polaroid prints from Tommy Blann, it's Texas Representative and indicated they believed the photos were authentic.

Regardless of the fact that they were originally considered authentic, this sighting and photos did not receive the amount of publicity accorded many others. This borne out by the fact that three later publications, Story's "The Encyclopedia of UFO's", Sachs' "The UFO Encyclopedia", and Knight's "UFOs - A Pictorial History" - made no mention of Roll's Mart photos, an oversight difficult for me to understand.

The photos rested in limbo for four years, then in 1976 a copy of the second photo was forwarded to GSW for their analysis.

In an article entitled "UFO's: Thirty Years On", which appeared in the thirtieth anniversary issue of "UFO Magazine" in 1977, Hayden Hewes published the results of GSW's "computer analysis" of this photo.

In the interest of accuracy, the following paragraphs are quoted verbatim from the article: "The photo analysis results were released by the Director of the Western Division of GSW on March 1st, 1976. The report stated 'We have finished the analysis on the Mart photograph'. (note the singular noun). All three methods of evaluation were utilized in an attempt to quantify this photograph as follows:

"1) Edge enhancement was used to reveal the true boundary (edges) of the sky to the object. This gives the interpreter an idea of the material of the object. When the edge` results were reviewed we found anomalies in the sky's density adjacent to the dome of the object. The variance in the sky is linear in appearance which suggests a possible thread/string attached to the UFO. (1)

"2) Color and Contouring/profiling was the best test to establish shape, structure and density. The color digital densitometry revealed three different densities in both the bright (sun) areas and the shadow portion. The different densities relate to separate material: plexiglas, plastic or rubber compound, or cardboard. The cursor technique (revealing true shape and the aspect ratio) reveals a disc-shaped object. However, it is small and close to the camera.(2) The color technique shows low reflectivity of the object, except

where the sun is striking the UFO.

"(3) Digitizing (computer) enhancement reveals the same data, a possible appendage coming off the top of the object,(1) a low reflective surface, and the small size of the object.(2)

"*Conclusion:* Based on a review of the information supplied by the computer the photo indicated that a model(1) was suspended by a string from close(2) (camera) range and it should not be considered strong UFO evidence".

The caption under the second photo accompanying the article reads: "This photo, taken at Mart, Texas in 1972, was considered for some years to be authentic. GSW's computer photoanalysis revealed it as a plastic and cardboard fake."

"The computer enhancement of UFO photographs does not solve the UFO mystery in one swoop. But enabling UFOlogists to discard many photographs as obvious frauds and errors, it will enable us at this time to concentrate on the good photographic cases that deserve further study".(3)

So 'down the drain' went the credibility of the Mart photos, - 'shot down' so to speak by GSW's computer.

It is interesting to note that in the original report of the sighting released by Hayden Hewes' UFO Bureau and published in the National Tattler on April 23, 1972, they accepted Blann's report that the sighting was authentic and that he was satisfied no trickery was involved, stating, "so it seems without question that Les Roll with his quick thinking snagged a genuine UFO with his trusty Polaroid. His photos will be added to the growing file of authenticated UFO photographs".

Yet in his article "UFO; 30 years on" in the 30th anniversary issue of UFO magazine in 1977, Hewes presents analysis of the second one of the Mart photos provided by GSW, utilizing an electronic digital computer, apparently as the last word in the case

proof positive and final. Doing a right-about-face he discards the facts brought out by Tommy Bann's earlier on-the-spot investigation, thereby completely negating its value.

At this point we wish to inject certain personal knowledge into the picture as positive evidence for the affirmative.

As earlier stated, over a period of years Mr. Roll and the writer have become very good friends. As a result of this friendship it has been the writer's privilege to have seen the original Polaroid photos as well as greatly magnified enlargements of them made by a qualified photographer.

Plainly visible in both photos are several straight black lines which cross the upper portion of each photo. Roll explained that they are utility wires in front of his house and are between 26 and 30 feet distant from the location where he took the photos.

In the first one taken, the object appears to be considerably higher and at a greater distance away than in the second. In the first shot, two wires appear above the UFO and six below it.

In the second photo, snapped as the UFO approached rapidly, the angle between it and the camera decreased, showing it above all the wires. If, as claimed, the object had been supported by a string or thread, the string would be visible under extreme magnification, and it is not!

The enlargement of the second and closest photo taken brought out some very revealing and surprising details of the interior of the craft. Occupying the central portion under the transparent dome is what appears to be a cabinet-like panel, which could be the instrument control panel. Standing beside it, plainly discernible, in white garb and white helmet-like headgear, is a human-like figure. Even the dark eyepieces in the helmet are visible.

If those involved in this matter had blown the second photo up larger than the copy they used to analyze, the interior of the craft would have been revealed, and its contents could not very well have been ignored! So when we read the conclusion that the object was a fake of cardboard and plastic, we cannot refrain from showing our annoyance by exclaiming 'BUSHWASH!'

ASSERTIONS:

1) There is no appendage (string or thread) coming from the top of the object. Had there been, it would have been visible in the highly magnified enlargement of it, and none was!

2) The object was not a small model, nor was it close to the camera. If it had been, inside details would have been visible, but these did not appear except when greatly magnified.

3) If any UFO investigative group would categorize the Mart photos as fakes and discard them to make room for others they select as better photographic



Photo number 2

cases, it would indicate their inability to recognize a truly fine and authentic UFO photo after seeing and examining it. In our opinion, they will have a long wait for their Eldorado to appear, or a better UFO photo to examine!

It has been our intention, by reviewing and presenting the facts of this case, to activate it in the sense that "These Bones Shall Rise Again", and, we hope, to cause the Mart photos to be accepted as two of the best ever taken, thereby assuring them their rightful place in the Valhalla hall of authenticated UFO photos!

In conclusion, the Defense rests its case. We leave the matter in the hands of the jury (the readers) to decide whether the defense, in this case the witness, or the prosecution (the "computer analyst") has the more reliable evidence. Your careful consideration of the facts presented are respectfully and hopefully requested.

(Editor's Note: Mr. Fitch has been a member of APRO for 30 years and is one upon whom we regularly depend for information).

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ASTRONOMICAL DATA

by Lee Emery

The following star and planetary positions are approximate and are only intended to give observers from 20° to 50° north latitude a general location of some of the more prominent objects in the night sky. Times may vary up to 30 minutes either way, depending on the observer's location in relation to his local time meridian. Also, add one hour for the beginning of the month and subtract one hour for the end of the month.

MARCH 1984

PROMINENT PLANETS: *Venus* is an early morning star rising in the east about 5:00 a.m.

Mars rises in the east about 11:00 p.m., can be found about 40° above the south by 3:00 a.m. and then about 30° above the SW by sunrise.

Saturn can be seen fairly close to *Mars* in the night sky.

Jupiter rises in the SE about 3:00 a.m. and by sunrise, is found about 25° above the SSW horizon.

BRIGHTEST STARS

7:00 p.m. —

Procyon is 65° above the south.

Sirius is 40° above the south.

The *Orion Constellation* is 60° above the SSW.

Aldebaran is 70° above the WSW.

Capella is almost directly overhead.

9:00 p.m. —

Procyon is 65° above the SSW.

Sirius is 40° above the SW.

The *Orion Constellation* is 45° above the WSW.

Aldebaran is 40° above the west.

Capella is 65° above the NW.

Arcturus is low in the east.

11:00 p.m. —

Arcturus is 40° above the east.

Procyon is 45° above the west.

Capella is 40° above the WNW.

Sirius is low in the WSW.

The *Orion Constellation* is low in the west.

Aldebaran is low in the WNW.

1:00 a.m. —

Vega has risen in the east and is now 30° above the horizon.

Arcturus is 65° above the SE.

Procyon is very low in the west.

Capella is 20° above the NNW.

3:00 a.m. —

Vega is 45° above the east.

Arcturus is 75° above the south.

Antares is low in the south.

Capella is setting in the north.

5:00 a.m. —

Vega is 70° above the east.

Arcturus is 50° above the west.

Antares is 20° above the south.

METEOR SHOWERS

No major showers this month.

APRIL 1984

PROMINENT PLANETS:

Venus rises in the east about 4:30 a.m. and by sunrise is about 30° above the east.

Mars and *Saturn* rise in the east about 9:00 p.m. By 1:00 a.m. they are 45° above the south, by 5:00 a.m. they are about 30° above the SW.

Jupiter rises in the SE about 12:30 a.m. and by 5:00 a.m. is 30° above the south.

BRIGHTEST STARS

Star positions are the same as those in March. Times, however, are one hour earlier in the first part of April, and two hours earlier in the last part of April.

METEOR SHOWERS

The *Lyrids* arrive on April 22nd.

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HOT AIR?

After a three year inquiry, the Nottingham UFO Investigation Society has no explanation for the

objects seen by 50 people in 15 different locations around Ashbourne, England. But it adds that three hot air balloons flying in convoy are the most likely reason for the sightings.

During the alert, on August 31, 1980, which lasted much of the night, people reported seeing a string of bright lights over about 15 miles. Others said they heard roaring noises and that animals were distressed.

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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO UFOLOGY?

By Coral E. Lorenzen

This article is for the benefit of those who, through the last few (approximately five or six) years have lamented the subtle changes in the field of UFOlogy which are difficult to pin down but whose influences are with us anyway. "Nothing's being accomplished" - "how come the public is so apathetic?" - "they're being seen and sometimes even reported, but people just aren't interested anymore!" - are some of the phrases which, although worded somewhat differently, have been heard or read by Headquarters personnel in the past few years, and which need answers and explanations.

What happened? It's really quite simple, if you understand a fairly recent addition to our everyday vocabulary: HYPE. Here we must go to the good old dictionary for some needed information. Mine is Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language (1980), Page 690, Column 1: Hype 3. (? infl. by HYPOCRISY) deception; esp., loud, exaggerated promotion or publicity - Hying 2. To promote or publicize in a sensational way.

We are all familiar with the regularity and fever pitch of the "Conferences" concerning UFOs which have been held since 1970. APRO sponsored a few, then dropped out because the "paydirt" (actual education of the public) was not adequate for the energy and funds expended. They turned out to be mainly social affairs centering around personalities. We dug in for the long haul.

Then Hollywood and the Tube discovered UFOs. At first there were a few low-budget documentary-type pictures that didn't get much distribution - then the BIG moguls discovered UFOs and the beat was on. I recall specifically two movies which had the most effect of UFOlogy - "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" and then the cutesy "E.T."

I have been roundly criticized because I didn't care for "Close Encounters". I saw it once in a drive-in

theater, then a couple of times on TV. I fell asleep all three times and didn't see the entire movie. Why? The special effects were outstanding, and the acting good, but the plot, frankly, stunk. Having, by then, spent 25 years investigating UFOs, I was bored by a movie which tried to get everything, electromagnetic effects to poltergeist phenomena, into the same movie. Then, at the end, we saw a bulbous-headed, long-necked, nebulous looking creature which seemed to be an extraterrestrial standing outside the brilliantly-lit "space-ship" while tubas blasted from nowhere. You never did find out whether the tubas were part of some local musical group or travelling musicians from outer space.

"E.T." - now that was something else. The plot was as old as the hills - the only difference between it and a couple of dozen movies and TV shows I've seen in the past was the little fellow's origin and his physique. Stranger in an unfamiliar land, befriended by the natives who have to fight against their own kind to protect him. And they win. You're left hanging because you never know if he ever phoned back to his friends, but that's all right and everybody's happy.

What did these two movies do for UFO research? The average individual who may have heard about UFOs and was perhaps a little concerned about them (probably a lot on a subconscious level) could say to himself, "Well that's one thing I don't have to worry about any more - they're friendly and they've gone home."

Other, slightly more knowledgeable individuals simply deduced that with that much hype being thrown around, UFO research would have a long, hard haul digging itself out of the backwash, and threw in the towel.

Fortunately, in those areas where UFOs are reported from time to time, some curious people are persistent enough to want to know what it's all about (typical phrase in a letter to APRO: "According to the movie version, these things are from elsewhere, and they're friendly, but I'm interested to know what they were doing hovering over Mrs. McGillicuddy's pond last week"). So there is a sufficient number of pioneers out there who still want to know facts from fluff, and ultimately they will be the salvation of UFO research (if indeed it does survive) along with the old-timers who've been "hanging in there" for many years.

So that's what's happened to UFO research.

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INTERESTING CASES IN BRITISH BOOK

Jenny Randles' book, *The Pennine UFO Mystery*, highlights several cases of interest. Among them is the

sad death of Mr. Zigmond Adamski, a Yorkshire miner.

Mr. Adamski was an ordinary working man with a lung deformity and arterial heart disease. He set off from his home to buy potatoes one day and never returned. His body was found, five days later, on a coal heap close to Todmorden railway station. It was determined that he had been dead eight hours, from natural causes. The strange part was that he was fully clothed except for a shirt and had a slight burn on his head, neck and shoulders. Because of the strange circumstances, the inquest jury returned an open verdict.

Miss Randles proceeds to imply that Adamski was dropped on the coal heap from a great height. She discusses a series of incredible mishaps that had befallen other people to establish the connection with Adamski.

One such case was that of Alan Godrey who, while in pursuit of stray cattle on a November morning three years ago, came upon a windowed dome, 20 feet across, 14 feet high, and hovering five feet above the road. The object disappeared before he could finish sketching it.

Subsequently, under hypnotic regression, Godrey described being transported inside the dome and examined against his will by a bearded, skullcapped man, assisted by robotic pygmies. In addition to these beings, Godrey also described a horrible black dog inside the dome.

“FRIGHTENING OBJECT” IN GHANA

Many of the inhabitants of Avenui-Awudome, a farming village near Ho in Ghana, reported seeing a glowing, star-like object which came out of the northwest (the Kpeve area) at very high speed and disappeared into the sky in the direction of Ho. Mr. B. K. Bigson, who also observed the object, said that the phenomenon was seen at about 10:30 p.m., on the night of October 29, 1983, and was unlike any stars they were accustomed to viewing, and that it was flying very low and left a rocket-like flame in its trail.

A similar object was reported by citizens at Dabala in the district of Tongu on the same date, and was observed flying toward the sea. Our thanks to Lawrence Asare-Owusu for the information on this sighting.

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PRESS REPORTS

By Joe and Doris Graziano

FRANCE - Exact Date Unknown - Gard - While working in his garden, a farm worker heard a slight whistling sound and saw a “strange machine” coming down very fast. After hitting the ground, it took off almost immediately at a tremendous speed. It was about 13 feet in diameter, eight feet high and shaped like two inverted soup plates of unequal size joined together by a projecting rim.

Scientists from GEPAN, a government investigating group, found some strange evidence at the scene. Plant life had mysteriously changed in character. Although it was summer, it was as if autumn had arrived overnight. Analysis carried out at four separate laboratories revealed that chlorophyll and other substances in the plants had been reduced by between 30 and 50 percent.

The scientists' report added that an analysis of soil samples indicated that an object of extremely heavy weight had scraped along the ground leaving evidence of both thermic and mechanical effect, and a residue of what was possibly combustion. They admitted that, for the first time in more than 1,000 cases, they have been unable to find a logical or earthbound explanation.

SWEDEN - October 27, 1982 - Kvilla - At about 9 p.m., Pia Anderson, Anna-Karin Lindahl and Carina Sjostrom decided to exercise their horses before turning in to bed. Suddenly an object was hovering six to eight meters above their heads and the horses went wild.

It was a shimmering sort of “thing” about the size of a large car, and it made a shrill whining noise. Multi-colored lights ringed the edges of the object and it “looked as if it was burning at the center.” On the underside were small, silver-metallic “feet” placed around the circumference of the saucer-shaped craft.

Pia's watch stopped during the encounter and it hasn't worked since, but she estimated the object hovered above them for about six minutes. The local watch repairman said he couldn't explain the damage caused to the electronics inside the digital watch.

A local air traffic controller said there was “absolutely nothing” in his air space that night. Swedish Defence Department early warning radar established along the Baltic coastline also reported they saw nothing that night and the sighting is now being investigated by the Swedish Air Force's special investigation group.
